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Section V.

File No. 24

Serial Nos. 2-4

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SUBJECT.

File relating to the Celebration of Rathostavam in the Sri Ranganatha Swamy Temple at Srirangam and the holding of a Cattle fair therein

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.	LATER REFERENCES.

MUZRAI DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE NOTE.

Subject.
In re celebrating a Rathotsava in the Sri Ranga
natha swami temple at Rangasthala & the holding of
cattle fair therein.

LAST REFERENCE:—

Letter No. 2088/206 dated 10th
October 1904 from the Dy Commr
Kolar Dt.

One C. Narasimhaiya & certain others petitioned this Office praying for the celebration of Rathotsavam in the temple out of the interest on the amount deposited by them for the purpose. A report having been called for, the Dy Commr states that the prayer of the petitioners to the grant of Rs 2000 from State Funds as contribution to the sum of Rs 2000 paid by them in view to the interest (5% which they ask?) on the ~~accumulated~~ total of Rs 4000 being deposited for Rathotsavam purposes, cannot meet with his recommendation as such a provision must

be kept entirely to the devotees of the temple.

In regard to the holding of a cattle fair a trial for two is ~~suggested~~ ~~to have been~~ ~~held~~ recommended to be held for 2 or 3 years & sanction is solicited therefor by the D'Commr.

The D'commrs report clearly explains the facts

Submitted with a draft

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MUZRAI DEPARTMENT. SLV

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

No.

The accompanying Petition No. 252

dated 14.9.03 received at the Muzrai Sect. ~~Dewan's Office~~ from C. Narasimiah & others of Chikballapur praying that the Rathotsavam of Rangan atha Devaru at Rangasthala in the Chikballapur Taluk may be celebrated every year, the cost being met from the interest on the sum of Rs 250/- deposited in the Saving Bank ~~for~~ by them for the purpose, is forwarded, ~~together with its enclosures~~, to the Dy Comr Kolar Dt. for favor of report

By Order,

23/9/03

Muzrai Secretary

BANGALORE
Sept 1903

Mus. Department

No. 782.
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From
K. P. Puttanna Chetty Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Kolar District

To
L. Anantharami Rao Esquire
Secretary to the Muzrai
Dept. Dewan Purnaiya

Dated 10th October 1904.
Despatched 12th October 1904.
Received

General No. 2088
No. 206
Enclosure No. 1 file

Submitting a report on the petition of Narayanaswami and others of Kolar and others of Ballapur re the Temple of Sri Ranganatha Swami at Ranganathala

Reference

Rec'd
11/10/04
by
Subd with a short note
26/10/04
by

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Kolar District
Dated 10th October 1904.

From
K. P. Puttanna Chetty Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Kolar District

To
L. Ananthasami Rao Esquire B.A.
Secretary to the Inazrai Dept.
In Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your official memorandum no 781 dated 23rd September 1903, forwarding a petition received from Narasimhiah and others of Chickballapur town, praying that Rs 2000/- deposited by them in the local Banks, may be taken by Government and that arrangements may be made by Government for the celebration of the annual Rathotsavam to Sri Ranganathaswami at Rangasthala and calling for a report thereon,

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I have the honor to state that the Ranganathaswami temple at Rangasthala which is about 2 miles from Chickballapur town, is a specimen of fine architecture. The building which was repaired in the year 1896 at a cost of Rs 2500/- (vide G. O. no 502-3 of 5-10-1896) is now in good condition and is in receipt of an annual allowance of Rs 43-9- from Government and of another sum of Rs 400/- the munificient gift of the Paleyagar lady Puttaparvathamma.

2. The inhabitants of Chickballapur evince great interest in the affairs of this temple. They contributed half the cost of the repairs of the temple and prepared a car in 1898 for the annual Rathotsavam, which they have been celebrating for the last 6 years.

3. With a view to provide a per-manent fund for the institution, they have now deposited in the local Banks a sum of Rs 1,600/- and further promise to supplement this amount by a

Subscription

subscription of Rs 400/-. They now request that the whole amount of Rs 2000/- may be taken over and an equal amount of grant sanctioned from state funds as was done in the case of the repairs of the temple, that the whole amount may be treated as an endowment fund and an interest of 5 p c. allowed on the said sum for meeting the expenses of the Car. festival to the extent of Rs 150/- per year. They further pray for sanction being accorded to the holding of a cattle-fair and the levy of fees at such a fair. I am not prepared to recommend the grant of Rs 2,000/- from state funds in connection with the annual car-festival, the provision of funds for which must be left entirely to the devotees of the temple.

4. In the matter of holding a cattle fair for the benefit of the institution, I would recommend its trial tentatively for two or three years and if the result is found advantageous to the temple and meets with the approval of the public,

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it may be ordered to be held permanently. If this concession is shown it will give a sort of encouragement to the devotees who are very much interested in the prosperity of the temple and who are prepared even now to contribute their mite to maintain the institution in a flourishing condition.

5. In this connection I beg to state that a trial jatra was ordered to be held for a period of three years in connection with the Gadidam — Venkatramanaswami temple at Devaraja Sudipalli in the Bapatla Taluk and this has since been made permanent. The case under reference is analogous one and I would therefore recommend that Government may be pleased to sanction the holding of a jatra for a period of three years at Rangasthala.

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that an equal amount
of contribution by the
devotees for the car-festival
of Sri Ranganathaswami
at Ranganatha cannot
be granted by Government,
as such charities should have
to be undertaken by the
devotees interested. This
decision of Government
may accordingly be
intimated to the petitioners
by means of an endorsement.
They may however, be
advised that the amount
of contribution already
collected and deposited
by them in the Savings
Bank viz Rs 1600 and
the amount that may

may hereafter be collected
for the purpose may
also be invested in the
Savings Bank in the
name of "the Architect
for the time being" on
the express condition
that the interest accrued
thereon be obliged
towards the Cur-festival
2. If this is done final
orders will be passed
accepting the deposit
for the purpose specified

2. In the matter of
holding a cattle
fair for the benefit
of the Institution, I am
to enquire whether it
will

will not in any way interfere
with the annual income
of from the cattle fair
at Nandi in the same Taluk,
and whether the lands
on which the cattle
stand at Ramgastalu
belong to the temple and
if so in case the lands are
in the private holding
whether the owners have no objection
to the cattle being pastured
on receipt of a
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report on these points,
final orders of Govt
will be communicated —

Cases returned for
reference and resubmission —

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Sd
27/10/04

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Secretary, Govt Dept